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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 20 June 1966

R. J. Smith tabled the weekly report of Project [] and reported on an extensive study of Soviet shipping to North Vietnam which had been conducted by ORR.

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The DCI initiated a discussion of further military pressures which might be brought to bear on North Vietnam.

Godfrey noted the beaching of a Viet Cong arms carrier off the coast of South Vietnam. He noted a report that Tri Quang is under house arrest.

Kent reported that there is a strong rumor that Hornig will ask for a SNIE on the Soviet Space Effort. This Estimate is scheduled for January and if it is to be done any earlier, it will conflict with other major Soviet estimates.

The DCI noted the story on the front page of the New York Times today concerning an improved capability for the ICBM. (See Action item 1)

Bannerman reported that an Agency nominee had been designated to participate in the Logistics Task Force. The DDCI gave background on this matter which related to the BOB's concern on [] procurement in Vietnam.

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deSilva stated that the conflict between the Government and the Buddhists in South Vietnam appeared to have reached a final phase. He noted that his trip to Wellesley last week had gone off well.

Houston reported that the original McCarthy resolution on the Agency had been changed to delete paragraphs relating to appropriations and budget review.

[] reported that Messrs. Gray and [] of PFIAB were proposing to visit various [] countries.

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Duckett for DDS&T noted that a CORONA launch is scheduled for tomorrow and the next []. He stated that [] is with the NRO team which is currently touring [].

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The DDCI noted that he had read Marquis Childs' column this morning on Vietnam which prompted him to wonder who in the Agency is reading various articles in Le Monde. The DDI stated that he would have his people look into this.

ACTIONS

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1. The DCI requested that an assessment be made of the article on the front page of the New York Times this morning concerning an improved capability for the ICBM. (DDS&T by 23 June)

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For L. H. White

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